BASIC INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SCHOOL – ENGLISH VERSION

**A Few words about us**

We are a secondary grammar school with a 90-year long tradition.

Founded by the Moravia-Silesian region, we are the only secondary school in Bohumín offering a complete secondary general education both in 4-year and 8-year long courses.

Our school, named after the former professor of Mathematics and school headmaster František Živný, is situated in a peaceful area of the municipal park surrounding it.

Education of young people – both 5th grade and 9th grade elementary school leavers from Bohumín and its neighbourhood- is provided by 26-28 fully qualified secondary school teachers whose aim is to arouse students´ interest in various subjects. We are trying to get them to understand that studying is not about learning everything by heart, on the contrary, it´s more about searching for mutual relations and drawing their own conclusions and connections. We are trying to create a pleasant atmosphere in our school, at the same time, however, we want them to respect certain rules which will help them also in their future life. After all, they will need a fine sense of honesty, truthfullness and diligence in today´s hectic society. We believe that these qualities together with the acquired scientific knowledge will supply our future graduates with foundation for their further professional growth. And last but not least, it is our wish that the graduates will consider the years spent at their „alma mater“ to be one of the happiest periods of their campus life and will be glad to come back.

**Principal education:**

* 4-year long course Secondary Grammar School 79-41-K/41 (for the 9th grade elementary school leavers)
* 8-year long course Secondary Grammar School 79-41-K/81 (for the 5th grade elementary school leavers)

**Foreign languages:**

* English, French, German, Russian languages
* Education is enriched with foreigh language conducted excursions (London, Paris, Switzerland)
* Optional foreign language conversational courses – 2 lessons per week
* Optional possibility to pass the state exam in English – afternoon courses conducted in cooperation with Language school of Frýdek-Místek

**Basic administration:**

* Computer writing -10 fingers technique
* Business correspondence, basic economics

**Physical education:**

* A gym, a Fitness-centre, up-to- date equipment possible to use also in the afternoons, a volleyball court, a tennis court, in winter – ice-skating and hockey at the winter stadium situated nearby
* Skiing courses – for the 2nd grade students , 1st year students and 5th grade students
* Sporting-hiking courses – for 3rd year students, 6th grade students

**Music education:**

* Music lessons and the possibility to join our school choir

**Further subjects educated:**

* Czech language, history, geography, social science, physics, chemistry, biology, mathematics, descriptive geometry – according to interests of students the number of lessons can be adjusted for each subject or there are also voluntary subjects like choir singing.

**Concucted excursions /trips**

* Biology (the ZOO, botanical gardens)
* geography, history, the Czech language (East Bohemia)
* Art excursions for the 1st up to 4th year pupils (the Beskydy mountains)
* Individual schooling/tuition for talented students interested in various subjects (foreign language contests, conversation lessons, math, physics, biology and chemistry school contests, sporting events and contests – our students won many country and regional contests

**Computer science**

* 2 computer rooms with internet access
* Lessons range from PC operation to elementary knowledge of algorithm development and user´s software guide
* Multi-media rooms equipped with beamers (data-projector)
* Possibility to use the computer rooms by students in the afternoon

**Voluntary subjects and seminars**

* Wide choice according to interests of students (computer studies, elementary administration, foreign languages conversation, sportclubs – volleyball, body-building, etc.)
* Math, Biology, Geography, Chemistry and Physics seminars

**School equipment (material support)**

* Conference hall with the capacity of 60 seats with didactic aids and technology (beamers)
* Specialized rooms – physics, chemistry, biology + labs, history, geography, languages, music – these are equipped with colour TV, video, beamers and computers
* Computer science – 2 rooms equipped with computers
* 20 portable beamers (data-projectors)
* Elementary administration – multimedia room with PC
* Photocopier for students (used with cards)
* Up-to-date technology and aids for teaching of all the subjects
* Language labs equipped with a control panel and headphones, CD players, video and colour TV
* School library – for the use of students in their free time
* Arts – ceramic furnace for making pottery

**Catering /School canteen**

* Lunch is served in the school canteen located at Masarykova elementary school in Bohumín, only a few minutes walk from our school grounds
* A buffet on the grounds of our school is open on a daily basis

**FEW WORDS ABOUT THE HISTORY OF OUR SCHOOL**

Our school was founded in 1921 as the Czech state reformatory grammar school starting with only 51 students (43 boys and 8 girls) of 8-year long course. The schooling was demanding and only 17 out of the 43 students passed the Maturita exam (school leaving exam) at that time.

The school grounds and rooms changed frequently in the past and the school building as it looks today was built in 1929. In 1938 the town of Bohumín belonged to Poland so there was a Polish grammar school in the building. In 1939 the Polish grammar school was closed down as Bohumín was occupied by the Germans so they opened their „Oberschule“ here. Between 1943-1944 the German military administrative unit took the building for its use and a military hospital was established here.

The Czech grammar school was reopened in September 1945 with 10 members of teaching board. The 1st headmaster after the war was professor František Živný, whose name has been part of our school name since 1996. The character of the school was influenced by various scholastic reforms in the past, the length of the study and subjects have changed and the number of students have gradually increased to more than 500 students in 1980s.

Since 1970s the school building has been reconstructed to a large extent and also the former headmaster´s villa standing next to the school building became part of the school. Now there are specialized rooms for computer science and elementary administration. In 1999 the building facade was repaired together with basements and a new playing field with artificial surface was built.

From 2005-2007 the recontruction of windows was carried out and 265 old wooden windows were replaced by new modern plastic ones. In 2008 the front part of the school fence was reconstructed with the cost of 1,9 mil. Czech crowns. Later on, in 2009, the roof of the school gym and both the school attics were newly insulated.